
**BEAR
HUG 10**

Unit 2 Review

Make It Stick: Matthew 4:10: ... **“Worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.”** (Short version is in bold. This verse was first learned in Bear Hug 7.)

The Big Buzz: The Israelites did not stay faithful to worship the one true God because they had a problem with sin. We have a problem with sin too. God sent Jesus to save us from our sin. When we trust Jesus as Savior, God helps us to obey and worship Him.

HONEY FROM THE COMB

Read: Exodus 20:1-5; Deuteronomy 6:4-5; Isaiah 29:13; Hebrews 12:28-29; Psalm 95; Philippians 3:3-4; Ephesians 5:18-21; 1 Samuel 15:22; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 5:23; James 1:27

Review: Matthew 4:10

Complete your own Bible study on worship. Look up each reference above and write what it teaches you about worship. Look for insight into God’s character, God’s expectations and desires for our worship, our identity and posture in worship, promises to believe, warnings to heed and applications for your own life. Summarize your thoughts in the space below:

From your study, it should become clear that God expects worship that is more than weekly attendance at a church service. Rather, He calls us to a lifestyle of worship that shapes our attitudes and actions. He wants us to love Him with all our hearts, to humbly revere and respect Him, to come to Him with joy and thankfulness, to obey Him and to love others and pursue justice. Thankfully, God has not left us alone to worship Him. He gives us His indwelling Spirit to aid us in worship.

Help Cubbies to understand this broad definition of worship too. They should know that worship is more than singing songs to God at Cubbies, although that is one way to worship. We can worship God in many different ways and at any time or place. In this lesson, you will be helping Cubbies explore various ways they can worship God. In the space below, write two new ways that you would like to worship God this week.

TASTE AND SEE!

Cubbies need to *taste and see that the LORD is good (Psalm 34:8)*! Pray that the Holy Spirit would work through this lesson so Cubbies:

1. Review that God is the one true God.
2. Remember how God punished the Israelites because they continued to disobey Him by worshiping other gods.
3. Understand that we have a problem with sin, just like the Israelites did. God sent Jesus to save us from our sin.
4. Review that worship is showing love and respect to God because of how awesome He is.
5. Name and experience some ways to worship God anywhere and anytime.
6. _____

(Add a goal the Holy Spirit brings to your mind and heart as you pray for Cubbies.)



COMING IN

(10-15 minutes before club officially starts)

Leaders, repeat any of the Coming In ideas from prior weeks that Cubbies really liked or that you did not have time to include or finish in your club meeting time.

IDEA 1: Helping at Church

What You Need

- *Optional* — antibacterial wipes

Remind Cubbies that one way we worship God is by loving and helping other people. Look around your Cubbies room and find jobs that your Cubbies could help with, such as cleaning and organizing the toys in the room, straightening the bookshelves, organizing the crayon bins or checking to see if the markers still work. Continue tasks during Play Time or Going Home.

IDEA 2: Love Poem for God

What You Need

- Pencil and paper for leader at each table

As Cubbies enter the room, divide them into handbook groups. The handbook group leader at each table should direct Cubbies in composing a group love poem for God (or Jesus, to be more specific). Cubbies could each share one thing they like about God, one reason why they love Him or one thing for which to thank Him. Leaders will take notes and combine the comments into a poem. The poem does not have to rhyme. Poems can be shared with the large group during Going Home.

IDEA 3: Bible Reading Center

What You Need

- Several children's Bibles
- *Optional* — children's books about Bible stories, beanbag chairs or floor pillows, child-sized rocking chairs, headsets or CD players with recorded books, iPad® with Bible apps, felt board and flannel story pieces

Set up an inviting reading area to help stimulate Cubbies' interest in "reading" the Bible either alone or with friends. While most of them cannot read words, they can do picture walks through the Bible and love to retell familiar Bible stories. Arrange the furniture and materials in a comfortable, accessible manner. Reading God's Word and treating it with respect is one way Cubbies can show love and respect to God. Leaders can invite Cubbies to hold the Bibles, use bookmarks to guide them to familiar stories, encourage them to turn the pages and "read" the stories. If Cubbies ask leaders to read the stories to them, do so enthusiastically and as often as possible.

Screen books and apps before you put them in your center. Select those that support biblical truth. Avoid any which use fantasy characters or present false messages

IDEA 4: Who Is Worshiping? Picture Cards

What You Need

- Set of Who Is Worshiping? picture cards for each table (resource CD; print on card stock)

Beforehand, print and cut out sets of picture cards. (A page makes a set.) Station a leader at each table to help Cubbies at the table sort pictures into two piles: children that are worshiping God and children that are not worshiping God. The leader should talk with Cubbies about the ways children are worshiping God in the pictures. Leaders can encourage Cubbies to name a few specific ways they might like to worship God this week. Help Cubbies to view worship as much more than singing in church.

STARTING TIME (3-5 minutes)

Continue your starting routine. Include the "Cubbies Song," Cubbies key verse and motto, and the A and C verses. Be sure to review the unit Core Truth: God Is the One True God.

PUPPET SHOW

(3-5 minutes)

What You Need

- Cubbie Bear puppet
- Katie Collie puppet
- Luvie Lamb puppet

LEADER: Hi, Cubbies! Are you ready to see our friend, Cubbie Bear? Let's call him together! One — two — three. CUBBIE!

(Bring the Cubbie puppet into view. He should be humming the first line of the "Cubbies Song.")

CUBBIE: There's a song I hear you all sing each week, and I can't remember the words. I just know it goes something like this — *(Cubbie starts to hum the "Cubbies Song" again.)*

LEADER: Cubbies, do you know the song that Cubbie Bear is humming? *(Allow response.)*

(Children should recognize the "Cubbies Song" if your club regularly sings it. If not, teach the song to them now. The song is on each child's HoneyComb handbook CD.)

CUBBIE: Boys and girls, could you sing the song for me? I love the part about hopping and jumping. *(Cubbie starts hopping around.)* You all know how much I like to hop and jump when I'm excited.

(Lead the children in singing the song together, while Cubbie Bear hops and jumps to the beat.)

CUBBIE: Thank you so much, boys and girls. I love that song!

(Bring the Katie Collie puppet into view, barking.)

KATIE: Ruff, ruff! Hi, everybody. Did I just hear singing in here?

CUBBIE: Yeah, Katie, the kids were singing the "Cubbies Song" for me!

KATIE: Oh, good. I like songs! I know a song about an old man and a dog. It goes like this —

(Katie starts to sing the traditional nursery rhyme song, "This Old Man.")

This old man, he played one,
He played knick-knack on my thumb;
With a knick-knack paddy whack,
Give a dog a bone,
This old man came rolling home.

LEADER (laughing): That's a funny song, Katie!

KATIE: Yeah, I like the part about giving a dog a bone. Sometimes Timothy gives me a bone when I do one of my dog tricks for him. Cubbies, would you sing YOUR song for me?

(Lead the children in singing the song while the puppets hop and jump to the beat. Then bring the Luvie Lamb puppet into view. If necessary, remove the Katie Collie puppet.)

LUVIE: Baa, baa! Hello, boys and girls. I was eating grass outside, and then I heard some singing. It sounded like such a happy song. At first, I thought it was the birds singing, but I didn't see any birds. Do you know who was singing?

CUBBIE: It was the children, Luvie. They just sang a song for me and Katie Collie!

LUVIE: Oh! Could I hear it too? Pretty please! I love to hear songs.

(Lead the children in singing the song, while the puppets hop and jump to the beat.)

LUVIE: Thank you so much, Cubbies! That song makes me feel so happy.

LEADER: We are happy to share our song with our friends, aren't we Cubbies? *(Allow response.)* If you come back next week, we can sing it for you again.

LUVIE: That would be great! I'm going to eat some more grass now. See you later!

CUBBIE: Bye, boys and girls. Thanks for singing your song. I'll see you next week.

(Children wave goodbye as the puppets are put away.)

SNACKS (5-10 minutes)

Snacks are optional and can be done at any time during the club meeting.

IDEA 1: Fruit Salad**What You Need**

- Various fruits (apples, bananas, blueberries, canned pineapple or mandarin oranges, etc.)
- Serving bowl and small mixing bowl
- Can opener, knife and spoon for leader's use
- Small serving bowls and forks for Cubbies
- *Optional* — strawberry yogurt, orange juice

Pour pineapple, with its juice, into a serving bowl. Drain mandarin oranges and add to bowl. Wash and slice fresh fruit into small, bite-size pieces. (Cut harder fruits, like apples into half-inch pieces to minimize choking hazards.) Add fruit to the bowl. Stir to coat with juice. Slice and add bananas just before serving.

To make dressing, pour one cup of yogurt into a small mixing bowl and add 4 tablespoons of orange juice. Mix thoroughly. Refrigerate until ready to serve, up to 24 hours.

Serve fruit salad in small bowls, topped with a spoonful of dressing. Talk with Cubbies about our awesome God who created so many wonderful fruits for us to enjoy. God is the one true God. Only God can create fruit.

IDEA 2: Leader's or Parent's Choice

On review weeks, you could let a leader or parent (or whoever is supplying the snack) bring in his or her favorite snack.

IDEA 3: Cubbie Birthday Snacks**What You Need**

- Cupcakes
- Red, orange, yellow frosting (and sprinkles)

On review weeks, you could serve cupcakes to celebrate all the birthdays of Cubbies in the current month. To fit this unit's theme, decorate the cupcakes with red, orange or

yellow frosting to resemble flames. Review all Bible stories from the unit that involve flames: Elijah on Mount Carmel, the fiery furnace and the exile and burning of the temple.

SONGS (3-5 minutes)

Songs can be done before or after Lesson Time.

SING:

- **“What a Mighty God We Serve” or “My God Is So Big”**
- **“Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children”** Add additional verses, replacing “praise Him” with “love Him,” “thank Him” and “serve Him.”
- The chorus of the hymn **“Trust and Obey”**

PRAYER (1-2 minutes)

(Use this time to intentionally model and teach Cubbies the basics of prayer.)

Cubbies, I like to worship God by singing to Him (*or name another way you like to worship God*). Another way we can worship God is by praying and thanking Him for what He's done for us. What are some things God has done for us? (He loved us and sent Jesus to be our Savior; created the world and all of us, gave us a family, gave us the Bible so we can know Him, promised us a home in heaven when we trust Christ as Savior, etc.)

(Pray various short statements of thanks to God and let Cubbies repeat each statement in unison. For example, pray, “Thank you God for loving us” or “Thank you God for sending Jesus to be our Savior.”)

LESSON TIME (15-20 minutes)

What You Need

- Teaching Cards (TC) 5, 34-35, 37-42, 44-49
- Bible with a bookmark placed at Matthew 4:10
- *Optional* — beanbags, any items needed to help Cubbies do the worship activity at the end of the lesson

(Adapt and personalize this lesson so it fits you and your Cubbies. Open with prayer.)

Cubbies, it was fun to sing the “Cubbies Song” to our friends today, wasn’t it? Our friends, Cubbie, Katie and Luvie, liked to hear our song. Cubbies, do you know that we can sing songs to God? When we sing a song for God, God listens to our singing, and He really enjoys it — even if we don’t sing every note just perfectly! Singing is one way we can worship God.

Today we’re going to remember the things we have learned about worshipping God. We will also remember the ways the Israelites DID and DID NOT worship God.

(Choose one of the following ways to help Cubbies review the unit lessons.)

Option 1: Lay some or all of these teaching cards on the floor in short rows: TC34-35, 37-42 and 44-49. The correct card pictures should be face-up and in random order. Let Cubbies sit around the cards on the floor in a circle and take turns tossing a beanbag onto the cards. When the beanbag lands on a card, hold up that card and ask the Cubbies to tell you about the picture. Ask them: “Who are the people in this picture? What other things do you see? What is happening?” Remove each card after it is reviewed and keep playing until all the cards have been reviewed.

Option 2: Start telling the story of Elijah on Mount Carmel, using TC38-42. At several points in the story, stop and ask the Cubbies to tell you what happened next. Do the same thing with the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, using TC44-49.

(After either option, continue the lesson as directed below.)

(Display TC35.) Remember, Cubbies, God told the Israelites to build a big, beautiful temple where they could go to worship Him. But God gave the Israelites a warning. It was very serious. **(Change to a serious tone of voice and make sure all Cubbies’ eyes are looking at you.)** He said, “Do not worship any other gods but Me!” If the Israelites DID worship other gods, God said He would make them leave the special land He had given them. The beautiful temple would be burned down! That would be a very sad day.

(Hold up one finger and invite Cubbies to do the same.) Cubbies, **God is the one true God.** **(Direct Cubbies to repeat this Core Truth twice.)** God wanted the Israelites to worship only Him. In our verse, Matthew 4:10, Jesus says: ... “Worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.” **(Turn in your Bible to Matthew 4:10 and tell Cubbies to stand and recite the verse twice with you.)**

Cubbies, did the Israelites remember to obey God by worshipping only Him? **(Allow response.)** Sadly, the Israelites did not obey. They chose to worship many fake gods, like Baal, instead of the one true God. God sent Elijah and other prophets to remind the people to obey, but the people still did not listen!

(Display TC44.) Finally, because the Israelites disobeyed, they had to leave the special land of Canaan that God had given them. An army took them far away to the land of Babylon. **(Display TC45.)** The army burned down their beautiful temple. It was a very sad time.

(Display TC34.) But after 70 long years, God said the Israelites could come back to their special land of Canaan! God helped them to build the temple again. They were so happy! Cubbies, do you think the Israelites started obeying God all the time then? **(Allow speculation.)**

They tried, but no matter how hard they tried, they could never obey God all the time. They had a problem with sin, just like we have a

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problem with sin. Remember, Romans 3:23 says that ... *All have sinned* ... Sin is anything we think (**point to forehead**), say (**point to mouth**) or do (**hit one fist on palm**) that disobeys God.

(Display TC5.) God still loved the Israelites. He promised that at just the right time, He would send a Savior to save the Israelites and US TOO from our problem with sin. Jesus died on the cross for our sins, and then He came alive again three days later. Those of us who trust Him as Savior will be saved from sin. That means God will forgive all our sin, and one day we will be able to go to heaven and live there with Jesus forever.

(Display TC37.) Once we trust Jesus as Savior, God helps us to worship and obey Him. We worship God by showing love and respect to Him because of how awesome He is. We can worship God anywhere, and at any time. Cubbies, what are some ways you can worship God? (Read and memorize the Bible, sing, give money or a special gift to God, pray, be kind and help others, etc.)

We worship God when we respect Him and treat Him as the awesome God He is. Cubbies, what are some ways you can show respect to God? (Bowing our heads when we pray, believing and obeying what He says in the Bible, being quiet and focusing on God during the worship service, treating the church building and other people with respect.)

(Let Cubbies choose one of the options named to worship God as you close the lesson. For example, you could all pray or sing a song together, make a special craft for God or prepare to give a special offering, make a card for a sick Cubbie, clean up an area of the church building, or let Cubbies each name one way they want to obey God this week. You could place Cubbies into handbook groups with a leader, and each group could decide together a way to worship God. One idea would be to create a love poem for God. See Coming In Idea 2. Worship activities could be continued in Handbook Time or Play Time.)

Optional: In the handbook story, Timothy's dad reviewed Bible stories around a campfire. Invite Cubbies and their parents to a fall event. Roast marshmallows around a bonfire, sing praise songs and review unit Bible stories.

HANDBOOK TIME

(15-30 minutes)

Give each handbook group leader a copy of Bear Hug 10 Handbook Leader Sheet from the resource CD.

Idea 1: Bear Hug 10 Activity Sheet

What You Need

- Copy of Bear Hug 10 Activity Sheet for each Cubbie
- Crayons
- *Optional* — pairs of child-sized scissors

Tell Cubbies to draw a line to connect each matching picture. See if Cubbies can identify the objects and people in the pictures. Use the pictures to review the Bible stories from the unit. Recite the Core Truth: God is the one true God. Recite Matthew 4:10 as a group.

IDEA 2: Chain Game Review

What You Need

- Plastic toy chain (with removable links)
- Box or bowl

Ahead of time, hook chain links together to form short chains of differing lengths. Place all chains in a box. Ask each Cubbie a review question related to the unit. If a Cubbie can answer correctly, she pulls one chain out of the box and adds it to the group's chain. Watch as each group's chain grows longer.

PLAY TIME (15-20 minutes)

Cubbies enjoy and learn through repetition. Play two or three games from prior lessons in this unit as a review. Reinforce lesson truths from the unit with each game.

- **Best Gifts Relay** from Bear Hug 7. Remind Cubbies that the Israelites were excited to bring their best gifts to help make the temple beautiful for God.
- **Four Corners** from Bear Hug 8. Be sure to review how the numbers one through four were significant in the story of Elijah on Mount Carmel, emphasizing how God is the one true God. (Refer back to Bear Hug 8 Play Time if necessary.)
- **Fire Storm** or **Number Search** from Bear Hug 9. Remind Cubbies how Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego believed that God is the one true God. They refused to worship the king's golden statue, so he had them thrown into a fiery furnace but God protected them.

If you have time, try this new game:

Worship Charades**What You Need**

- Worship Charades slips of paper naming concrete ways we can worship and serve God (resource CD)
- Paper bag

To prepare, print and cut out the Worship Charades slips from the resource CD. Feel free to add some slips of your own. To play, review the definition of worship with Cubbies: Worship is showing love and respect to God because of how awesome He is. Emphasize that we can worship God anytime and anywhere. Leader will pull a slip from the bag and read it to the group. Everyone will act out what it says. Let the Cubbies think of additional things to act out.

GOING HOME (5-10 minutes)**AWARD ALERT!**

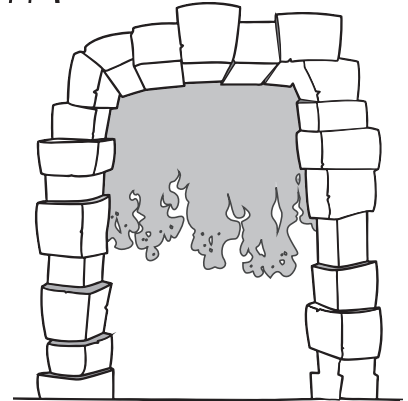
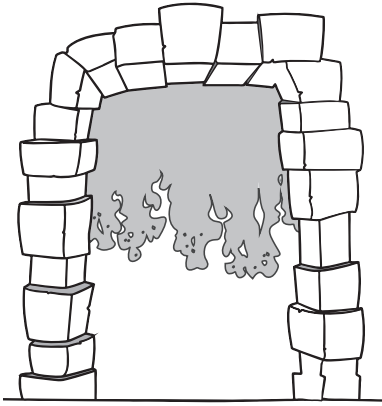
Cubbies will earn a Red Apple emblem for completing Unit 2. Invite parents to arrive early to see their child receive the award. Remind parents to attach the emblem to the C on their child's vest.

Award time is a great time to hand out or email parents the current month's copy of the *Parent Pause* newsletter; available as a free download in the ART (Awana Resources and Tools) section of awana.org. This newsletter gives parents ideas for growing their preschooler's faith at home. It also includes a page for leaders to add Cubbies club news.

Award time is also a great time to connect with parents face-to-face and share parenting tips. For example, share some ways to worship God through family fun activities. Maybe they could go on a walk, collecting things that God created. Marveling over God's creation creates a natural form of worship. Or perhaps families can roast marshmallows and sing some favorite worship songs around a campfire. Parents could ask Cubbies to teach them the songs learned during Cubbies. Remind parents to consistently point their child back to God and His awesomeness – only God is the one true God.

... "Worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve." (Matthew 4:10)

NAME: _____



**Core Truth:
God Is the One
True God**



Basic Instructions: Draw a line to connect the pictures that are the same. Can you identify all the people and objects? Do you remember the Bible story that goes with each pair of pictures?

Even More Fun: Color the pictures and cut them out. Group pictures from the same Bible story together. (Put the Elijah pictures with the altar pictures. Put the Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego pictures with the furnace pictures.)

Ultimate Fun: Play a game with a friend using the pictures. Set the picture face-up on a table. While your eyes are closed, your friend removes one picture. Open your eyes and try to guess what picture is missing its pair.